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Applicant(s): Lee et al. Application Serial No.: 10/825,968 Filed: April 15, 2004 Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MARKING TEXTILES WITH NUCLEIC ACIDS	Group Art Unit: 1792 Examiner: Jolley, Kirsten Conf. No.: 8220
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION, AMENDMENT AND
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir/Madam:

This Request for Continued Examination (RCE), Amendment and Response is filed in response to the Office Action mailed December 1, 2009, in the above-referenced patent application. Allowance of the pending claims in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 3.

Remarks begin on Page 7.

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the first paragraph after the sub-title CROSS REFERENCE as indicated below:

This patent application claims the benefit of ~~is related to~~ provisional patent application 60/463,215 ~~which was~~ filed on April 16, 2003.